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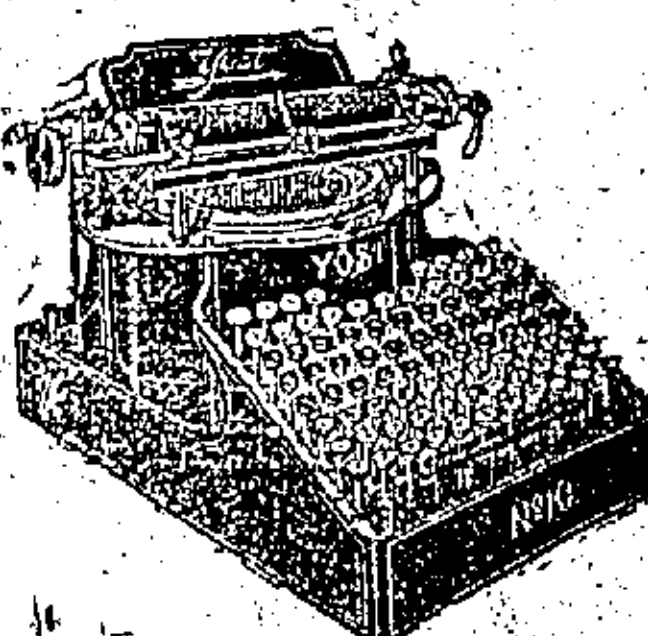
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Hongkong, May 18, 1906 1024

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

## LIMITING ARMAMENTS.

London, April 18.  
Owing to hostility encountered at Berlin  
and Vienna, Italy, withdrew her com-  
promise which it was intended should facilitate  
discussion on the limitation of armaments  
to be proposed at the Hague Conference  
by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.  
The newspaper "Paderborn" at the  
Hague remarks that the "beautiful but  
theoretical proposals" opened by England's  
declaration have vanished, but the  
consequences of a breach in the Triple  
Alliance might have been graver still.  
(Italy suggested to Austria-Hungary that  
the Great Powers should hold a special  
conference to discuss the subject of  
limitation of armaments.)

**COUNTY COUNCIL LOAN.**  
The London County Council has issued a  
3 1/2 per cent. loan of £2,000,000 at 97.  
The leading financial houses took half the  
amount, and the public subscribed the  
remainder twenty-fold. The list was only  
open a day and a half.

**HUGE GERMAN LOAN.**  
London, April 19.  
Germany is issuing a loan of £20,000,000  
at 4 per cent, with a minimum of 90.

**BATTLESHIP "ROMA" LAUNCHED.**  
London, April 22.  
King Victor Emmanuel, on the anniversary  
(April 20) of the foundation of Rome,  
hunched at Spina the battleship "Roma",  
of 12,000 tons. The vessel is expected to  
have a speed of 22 knots.

[The "Roma" is one of a class of five  
battleships each with a displacement of  
12,000 tons. The "Regina" "Elena" "Vito-  
torio Emanuele III.", and "Napoli" have  
already been launched. The armament  
consists of two 12 in. guns in separate  
hooded barbettes, one forward and one aft,  
and 12 8 in. quick-firers in pairs in turrets,  
three on each broadside. The armour  
includes a complete belt 9 ft 2 in wide,  
varying in thickness from 10 in to 3 in.]

**TRANSVAAL DEFENCE.**  
London, April 23.  
According to the military correspondent  
of the Standard, a General Botha, Premier of  
the Transvaal, is submitting to the Colonial  
Conference for the British Government's  
approval a scheme for the establishment of  
a voluntary force for the defence of the  
Transvaal, by the organisation of the  
burghers into battalions, on the principle of  
volunteers in British counties, with light  
field pieces for the use of mounted forces.

**SIR WILFRED LAURIER.**  
London, April 22.  
The "Central Witness" states that Lord  
Strathcona, High Commissioner for Canada,  
is retiring, and that Sir Wilfred Laurier,  
who is to be elevated to the Peerage, will  
replace him.

**IRISH ASPIRATIONS.**  
London, April 23.  
Mr. J. Redmond, leader of the party,  
speaking at an Irish Nationalist demon-  
stration in London, reiterated the Irish  
demand for complete independence, and  
control of its own affairs, but knowing the  
forces at work against Ireland he said he  
was almost afraid, while awaiting the  
Government's bill, to express too sanguine  
a view.

Unless the proposals were calculated to  
prepare a way to the settlement, the Irish  
would be advised to reject and repudiate  
the measure.

**NEW HEBRIDES.**  
London, April 23.  
Mr. Winston Churchill, Parliamentary  
Under-Secretary for the Colonies, has con-  
sulted with Mr. A. Denkin, Prime Minister  
of Australia, and Sir Joseph Ward,  
Premier of New Zealand, regarding the  
nomination of a representative on the  
Anglo-French Commission, which will  
consider details arising out of the New  
Hebrides Convention.

**AUSTRALIAN IMMIGRATION.**  
London, April 22.  
Mrs. Denkin, on being interviewed by the  
press on the subject of immigrants for  
Australia, emphasised the necessity for  
women immigrants of a good, wholesome  
type, and stated that there were openings  
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LI SUM LING.  
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For the CHINESE MAIL,  
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Hongkong, February 1, 1907. 218

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Purchase of the above Steamer as she now  
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CHEUNG TO CHAI,  
President of the  
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Hongkong, April 16, 1907. 693

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## Intimations.

## CHINESE ENGINEERING &amp; MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

**AN INTERIM DIVIDEND** of One  
Shilling and Six Pence per Share  
free of tax for account of year ending 28th  
February, 1907, has been declared by the  
Directors of the above Company. Coupon  
No. 8 is payable on 1st May, at the Char-  
tered Bank of India, Australia & China,  
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Hongkong, May 1, 1907. 787

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK-  
ING CORPORATION.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an  
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the  
Shareholders of THE HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be  
held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on  
FRIDAY, the 31st day of May, 1907, at  
Noon, for the purpose of considering and,  
if thought fit, of passing the following  
Resolutions:—

1. That the Directors of the Hongkong  
and Shanghai Banking Corporation be  
and they are hereby requested  
and authorized by and on behalf of  
the Shareholders of the Company to  
take the steps necessary for the  
introduction of an Ordinance into  
the Legislative Council of the Colony  
of Hongkong and for the enactment  
of the same by the Governor of  
Hongkong with the advice and con-  
sent of the Legislative Council  
thereof to effect the amendments  
necessary to the Ordinance under  
which the Company is incorporated  
and carrying on business so as to  
allow of the capital of the Company  
being from time to time increased  
from ten millions of dollars, the  
present authorized capital of the  
Company, to twenty millions of  
dollars and also for extending the  
period of the operation of such  
Ordinance for a further period of  
21 years from and including the 14th  
day of August, 1903, and for con-  
tinuing all the provisions of Section  
3 of the Hongkong and Shanghai  
Banking Corporation Ordinance  
1899 for a further period of 21 years  
from and including the 14th day of  
August, 1903.

2. That from the date of such new  
Ordinance coming into operation and  
becoming effective the Capital of the  
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking  
Corporation be increased from  
\$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000 by the  
creation of 40,000 New Shares of  
\$125 each to be issued at the price  
of \$20 on the terms after mentioned.  
Shareholders on the Eastern Regis-  
ters to pay for their allotments at the  
rate of Exchange for the Company's  
demand Bills on London on the 31st  
day of May, 1907, shareholders on the  
Western Regis. to pay for their allot-  
ments on the 31st day of May, 1907.

3. That the said New Shares be in the  
first instance, in such manner as the  
Directors shall prescribe for that  
purpose, offered to Shareholders in  
the proportion of one New Share for  
every two shares of which on the  
31st day of May, 1907, shareholders  
shall respectively be the Registered  
Holders, and that any New Shares  
not accepted by the Shareholders  
within the time limited by the  
Directors for that purpose, be dis-  
posed of and allotted by the Direc-  
tors in such manner and at such  
price as in their discretion they  
shall think best in the interests of  
the Company.

4. That the payment of the sum of \$30  
per share for each of the said New  
Shares be made as follows, viz:—  
1st instalment of \$15 on the 1st day  
of July, 1907.  
2nd and final instalment of \$15 on the  
1st day of October, 1907.

5. That the Directors issue to share-  
holders, holding shares not a mul-  
tiple of two, a fractional certificate  
in respect of each share in excess of  
or below the multiple and also one  
New Share to every person who  
shall produce two such Fractional  
Certificates on or before the 1st day  
of July, 1907, and pay the first  
instalment in respect thereof.  
6. That after payment of the first  
instalment and on payment of the  
remaining instalment, Scrip  
Certificates in such form as the  
Directors may determine be issued  
in respect of such New Shares on-  
titled the holders on payment of  
the remaining instalment, and sub-  
ject to such other terms as may be  
approved, date for lodging scrip  
certificates and otherwise as the  
Directors may prescribe, to be re-  
gistered as the owners of the Shares  
respectively represented by such  
Scrip Certificates.

7. That interest at the rate of 5 per  
centum per annum be allowed out  
of the profits of the company on  
instalments paid in advance of the  
dates when the same become due,  
and that registered holders of Scrip  
Certificates for New Shares be en-  
titled in respect of such New Shares  
to participate in future dividends on  
an equality with the old shares, in  
proportion to the instalments paid-  
up, and from due dates for payment  
of same.

8. That interest at the rate of 8 per  
centum per annum be charged on  
each instalment not punctually paid,  
and be paid with each such instal-  
ment.

9. That all moneys received from pre-  
mium on the said New Shares be  
added to the Reserve Funds.  
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING  
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J. P. SMITH,  
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Hongkong, April 30, 1907. 779

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## Auctions.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
BANKRUPTCY No. 20 of 1907,  
Re LONG HING & Co.  
THE Undersigned have received instruc-  
tions from The Official Receiver,  
and Trustee, to Sell by Public Auction,  
on  
**FRIDAY,**  
the 17th May, 1907, at Noon, at No. 17,  
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,—  
The GOONWILL, STOCK-IN-TRADE, FUR-  
NITURE, FITTINGS and BOOK DEBTS of the  
above named Firm.  
Terms:—As usual.  
HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Government Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, May 11, 1907. 850

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
O. J. No. 120 of 1906.  
THE Undersigned have received instruc-  
tions from Mr. P. J. S. T. The  
Receiver, to Sell by Public Auction,  
on  
**FRIDAY,**  
the 17th May, 1907, at 11 a.m., on Board,  
at Canary Bay,  
(as above now lies),  
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**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
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tions to Sell by Public Auction,  
for account of the CONCERNED,  
on  
**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,**  
the 17th and 18th May, 1907, commencing  
each day at 2.30 p.m., at their  
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**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received instruc-  
tions from J. A. STORAN, Esq., to sell  
by Public Auction,  
on  
**SATURDAY,**  
the 18th May, 1907, commencing at 2.30  
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GRAVINGS, &c., &c.  
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QUISITES.  
And  
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1907.  
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Hongkong, May 11, 1907. 851

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tions to Sell by Public Auction,  
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And  
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## BY TELEGRAPH.

## THE MOROCCAN MENACE.

## Situation Becoming Serious.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay).

LONDON, May 13.

The situation at Marrakech is creating grave anxiety.

The European residents have left, escorted by troops.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

## SPAIN'S HEIR.

LONDON, May 12.

The baby Crown Prince is making splendid progress. The Spaniards are delighted at the resolve of Queen Victoria to nurse the child herself.

## Naming the Baby.

LONDON, May 12.

At the Civil registration of the Heir Apparent this morning, the young Prince received the names of Alphonso Eduardo.

## THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN.

LONDON, May 12.

At a dinner given to Baron Kuroki, in Washington, by President Roosevelt, Mr. Taft said that he hoped the present cordial relations between Japan and the United States would always exist.

## PRINCE FUSHIMI'S VISIT.

LONDON, May 12.

On Saturday Prince Fushimi visited Windsor Castle and laid a wreath on the tomb of the late Queen Victoria; in the evening the Prince attended a banquet given in his honour by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, at which Baron Kuroki and Sir Edward Grey were present. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman toasted the King-Mikado and Prince Fushimi returned cordial thanks.

## THE "SILVERIP" DISASTER.

LONDON, May 12.

The Shell Transport and Trading Company's tank steamer "Silverip," lost in the Bay of Biscay through an explosion of benzene, was the first to carry a bulk cargo of benzene through the Suez Canal since the regulations of the Canal management were relaxed. The underwriters lose £170,000.

## TREATING PLAGUE CASES.

## Depots for Kowloon.

The Hon. Mr. A. W. Brewin (Registrar General) reported, as follows to a meeting of the Sanitary Board held to-day:—The Chinese Public Dispensary Committee wish to make use of a detached building on M. I. L. 198, Hungnam, numbered 86a, Hungnam West, as a District Plague Hospital. Certain repairs and alterations will have to be effected and I recommend that the building be approved (subject to these being made) as a place in which plague may be treated.

In another letter Mr. Brewin made a similar recommendation, subject to such alterations as the Assistant Medical Officer of Health might suggest.

Another plague depot was required for Kowloon City, and this also came up for consideration.

## SANITARY EMPLOYEES.

## The Suspended Inspectors.

SECRETARY OF STATE'S ACTION. An important letter was laid on the table of the Sanitary Board this afternoon from the Colonial Secretary, dated April 22, as follows:—

"I am directed by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government to state for the information of the Sanitary Board that as a result of investigations initiated by the Public Health and Building Ordinance Commission, charges of bribery were preferred on various occasions against Messrs F. Ward, S. Kelly, J. R. Lee, T. P. Conolly, P. T. Lamble and F. O. Amy, inspectors in the Sanitary Department, and these officers, with the exception of Mr. Lamble—the charge against whom was held to be not proved—were after due inquiry suspended by the Governor-in-Council from the exercise of the functions of their office and their cases reported to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, with a view to dismissal from the Public Service. Lord Elgin concurred in the suspension and dismissal of Messrs Ward, Lee, Conolly and Amy, but not Kelly, who however will not be again employed in the Sanitary Board."

## RHEUMATISM MAKES LIFE MISERABLE.

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## THE BUILDING ORDINANCE.

## Back Yard Requirements.

Applications for exemption from or modifications of the requirements of section 175 of the Public Health and Building Ordinance are frequently received by the Sanitary Board and at a meeting held this afternoon, no less than eight such applications were down for consideration.

The most important was one in which Messrs Palmer and Turner, on behalf of Messrs Selmeson and Company, asked for a modification with regard to No. 112 Wing Lok Street and 320 Des Voeux Road. Notice had been served on the architects requiring that back yards should be required, though this would mean the removal of half the kitchen floors and roofs. The houses, submitted by Messrs Palmer and Turner, were corner houses, well lighted and ventilated for the whole depth by windows opening into Morrison Street. The enforcement of the section would ruin the houses for the purpose for which they were built—ten houses. Some few months prior to the application for a modification (Nov., 1906) plans were submitted to the Sanitary Board for enlarging of the side windows, etc., and then no question was raised as to back yards.

After consideration, at a previous meeting, the Board recommended that the houses be treated as special cases and that no proceedings be taken to enforce the provisions of section 175.

In a letter dated April 23, 1907, the Colonial Secretary informed the Board that the recommendation had not been approved.

It was communicated to Messrs Palmer and Turner, who again wrote asking that the Medical Officer of Health should inspect the premises.

Mr. Shelton Hooper minutes that, as the Governor in Council was unwilling that the matter should stand over pending the publication of the report of the Commission, he considered that the modification originally asked for should be granted.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak—I agree with Mr. Hooper.

On the same section the Secretary minutes:—I do not understand clearly what the Board desires by the condition in connection with the arrangement of half kitchen and half verandah, in lieu of half kitchen and half yard.

After pointing out that the arrangement of half kitchen and half verandah must be treated as a special case, he continued:—What I desire to know is whether the Board in treating the arrangement of half kitchen and half verandah as a special case makes the recommendation subject to the condition that the work of opening up half verandah is put in hand at once, or whether this work is to stand over pending the consideration of the report of the Commission. If the Board insist on the work being done at once, and the Government after considering the report of the Commission does not amend section 175, the applicant can legally be compelled to open up that half of the kitchen which he had converted into a verandah.

In any case, if the present procedure is followed all those special cases, no matter whether the Board recommend exemption or an arrangement of half kitchen and half verandah, will have to be re-considered after the report of the Commission has been considered by the Government. I beg to suggest that the present procedure be altered, and that the Board in those cases where it is of opinion that exemption might be granted, apply to the Governor-in-Council for authority not to enforce section 175, and in those cases where an arrangement of half kitchen and half verandah would be satisfactory, apply for authority not to enforce section 175 on condition that this work is carried out. In both cases the decision should be final, and no time limit fixed. I further suggest that the Board recommend that section 175 (4) be deleted, and that the proviso of section 154 (9) be substituted therefor. If this were done section 175 (4) would read as follows, and the Board would, with the consent of the Governor-in-Council be able to exempt special cases from the requirement of section 175. At present neither the Governor-in-Council nor the Board has the power to exempt, even in those cases where no useful purpose would be served by enforcing the requirements of section 175.

"Provided that the Board, with the consent of the Governor-in-Council shall have power in all cases to grant the modification of or exemption from the requirements of this section upon such conditions, if any, as the Board may deem expedient."

Mr. A. Shelton Hooper minutes—It is at present necessary for the Board to apply to the Governor-in-Council for authority not to enforce section 135. What authority has the Governor-in-Council to compel the Board to enforce this section? Mr. Lau Chu Pak—A very sensible suggestion. The Board can refrain from taking action in special cases without troubling the Governor-in-Council.

The Registrar-General—I am not sure that the Supreme Court could not compel unofficial members to enforce the law. I am sure the Government can compel Government servants to do so.

The appointment of Prince Ching as Comptroller-General of the Army Budget was due to the proposal of Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai and had no concern with President Tsun Chun-tsun.

All the medical staff at the Lymington Railway Station struck work after giving notice, as they demanded higher wages. In the meantime, the Station Master has to act as shunting porter and pointman himself, and he was assisted in this work by the District Traffic Superintendent and the Traffic Inspector.

## THE DUMPING OF DEAD.

## Compared with Previous Years.

The following tables regarding the Dumping of dead bodies by the Chinese were considered at the Sanitary Board this afternoon.

Year	Land	Harbour
1883	195	40
1897	351	138
Increase:	80 per cent.	245 per cent.

The number of bodies other than Chinese is negligible. In 1893 the total was 11; in 1897, 27.

Abandoned bodies in the streets, etc., and number of cases of plague, small-pox in Victoria and Kowloon, in 1905 and 1906.

A signifies number of abandoned bodies; B, cases of plague; C, small-pox.

Year	A.	B.	C.	Total.
1905	614	180	25	205
1906	796	624	132	756

Year	A.	B.	C.	Total.
1905	259	98	10	108
1906	451	199	37	236

Comparison between number of abandoned bodies and number of cases of plague and small-pox in the first quarter of 1906 and 1907.

Year	A.	B.	C.	Total.
1906	171	92	87	179
1907	222	3	138	141

Year	A.	B.	C.	Total.
1906	69	4	31	35
1907	87	5	37	42

Comparison between number of deaths and number of abandoned bodies in 1905 and 1906.

Year	Deaths	Abandoned bodies	Per centage.
1905	6594	1008	17
1906	8397	1447	18
1905-1 in 6;	1906-2 in 11.		

Plague and small-pox in 1906, number of deaths in the first quarter of the year.

Month	Plague	Small-pox
January	2	5
February	24	24
March	60	24
Total	86	53

Of the 86 deaths from plague 52 (or 60 per cent) occurred in two out of the ten districts.

The Registrar General laid on the table returns showing that from 1887 to 1906, the number of Chinese deaths registered was 124,249 and during that period 13,514 bodies were buried without formal enquiry. The percentage of bodies buried without formal enquiry to deaths registered ranged from 23 per cent. in 1889 to 254 per cent. in 1903, when plague almost trebled over the previous year. In 1906 5.9 per cent. of the Chinese population were buried without formal enquiry, as against 1 per cent. in 1891. The births of Chinese in the Colony decreased from 1811 in 1887 to 801 in 1896. In 1891 the births averaged 7.2 per 1000; in 1906 the figures were 2.8 per 1000.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak minutes—These figures bear out the statement that dumping is due to the institution of measures for combating plague. I doubt that the 44 per cent previous to 1904 were not in the majority of cases the bodies of newly-born infants.

A further letter from the Government dated 31 May, was submitted as follows:—Sir, I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant from which it is inferred that the Sanitary Board has no suggestions to offer for the mitigation of the grave nuisance and outrage to decency committed by the Chinese population in casting away large numbers of their dead. (2) It appears that two remedies were suggested to the Board—one, the cremation of abandoned corpses, the other the institution of more Chinese burial hospitals. I may state that the Government, as at present advised, does not propose to adopt the former, and that it fails to see what useful object would be gained by considering the latter until it is made apparent that the existence of the branch hospitals and dispensaries which have been already established is producing an effect in the mitigation of the evil. (3) It was because the periodical returns furnished to the Government showed that no such effect had as yet followed the institution of these hospitals and dispensaries that the Colonial Secretary's letter of the 6th ult. was by Sir Matthew Nathan's direction addressed to the Board. (4) As a misapprehension appears to exist among the members of the Board on the subject of the reason for the dumping of dead bodies, I may state that the Police Department can furnish abundant evidence that such dumping existed in an aggravated form prior to the year 1894, and that the institution of measures for the prevention and mitigation of plague.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak minutes—Before 1894, if my memory serves me correctly, only the bodies of the infants of the most ignorant class of Chinese were dumped, where superstition prevailed over common sense, but not the bodies of grown up persons. Amongst the better class, their infants when seriously sick or in a moribund state were generally sent to the convents. It would be interesting to know the number of abandoned bodies picked up, where they were picked up, and their ages, during the last 20 years. As I said before, the question requires careful investigation.

The Registrar General—The following particulars relating to the practice of abandoning bodies in the streets, etc., and its connection with infectious disease have been collected from the annual sanitary reports, the plague reports, and the reports of officers in charge of mortuaries.

Small-pox—In 1903 out of 41 Chinese cases of small-pox 23 or 56 per cent were abandoned in the streets.

Plague—According to Dr. Pearce the ratio of the number of bodies of persons who had died from plague picked up in the streets, etc., to the total number of reported cases of plague was in 1898, 23.1; in 1899, 24.2; in 1900, 20.5; in 1901, 19.7; in 1902, 34.6; and in 1903, 31.7 per cent. In other reports the percentage is given in 1896 as 23.0; in 1898 as 30.0 and 25.1; in 1899 as 40.0; in 1900 as 37.1; in 1904 as 28.0; in 1905 as 18.4 per cent. In Kowloon in 1904 106 deaths from plague were registered and of these 50 bodies or 47 per cent were found abandoned in the streets. In 1904 the total number of Chinese deaths registered in Kowloon was 1104. Of this number 407 or 35 per cent were deaths of persons whose bodies had been picked up in the streets, etc.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council is called for Thursday, 16th May, 2.30 p.m.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary will move an Additional By-law under Section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock will ask 1. (a.) When will work on the new harbour of refuge be commenced? (b.) How long is this work likely to take? 2. (a.) What was the cost of erecting the retaining wall on the South side of the Signal Station at Blackhead Point? (b.) Who has ultimately to bear the cost of such retaining wall? 3. (a.) Has the Government received any report from Mr. Hallifax with reference to motor fire engines or an improved system of fire-alarms? (b.) If the Government has received such a report, will the Government act upon it?

## ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The Hon. Attorney-General will move the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary sum of four hundred and seventy-seven thousand eight hundred and forty-nine dollars and fifty-three cents, to defray the charges of the year 1906; the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Bills of Exchange Ordinance, 1885; First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Married Women's Property Ordinance, 1906; the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Probates Ordinance, 1887.

The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai will move the First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance for the incorporation of the Hongkong College of Medicine.

## CHINESE CUBICLES.

## Sensible Suggestions.

A letter from the Colonial Secretary, dated May 3, on the question of Chinese cubicles, was laid on the table at a meeting of the Sanitary Board this afternoon, as follows:—

"I am directed to invite the attention of the Sanitary Board to the proviso contained in section 154 of the Public Health and Building Ordinance which, to judge from the representations recently made to the Government, does not appear to have been availed of by the Board in dealing with the cubicle question. I am now to suggest, as a practical means for giving as much latitude in the use of cubicles as is compatible with reasonable sanitary requirements to the poorer classes of Chinese inhabiting tenement houses, that the Board, by means of some of its officers, institute a house to house inspection and decide what number of cubicles might reasonably be allowed to be erected and maintained on each floor and thereafter make recommendations accordingly for modification or exemption by the Governor-in-Council."

Mr. A. Shelton Hooper minutes—A very sensible suggestion. Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett—The cubicle question has been one of the primary causes which has given rise to the complaints against sanitary laws. This matter has been fully dealt with in the report of the Public Health and Building Ordinance Commission, which it is understood will be shortly published. The letter from the Colonial Secretary should not be replied to until the Board has had an opportunity of considering the report of the Commission.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak—Something like this should have been done by those responsible for the carrying out of the sanitary laws.

Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai contemplates opening a Cello in Lanchow with a capital of two million taels, and a deputy has been sent to the place to make investigations.

When he was received in Imperial Audience President Tsun Chun-tsun, impeached General Feng Shan, pointing out his ignorance of military affairs; similar charges were levelled against H.E. Tich-Liang who used to always recommend his favourites.

"Oh, I'm sorry I could not come to you at home yesterday."  
"Dear me, weren't you there?"  
"Why of course I was—how very silly of me—I quite forgot."—Punch.

## SPORTING.

## The Civil Service Club.

The annual "At Home" will be held by members of the Civil Service Club on Monday next—3 to 7 p.m. Mrs. Chatham, wife of the Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, will present the season's prizes.

## GOLF.

The monthly competition for the Robertson Farwell Cup was held at Happy Valley from the 11th to 13th May, 1907. The following returned were made:—

ROBERTSON FARWELL CUP.

Mr. F. W. Warren ... 88-5-83  
Mr. G. M. Harston ... 94-7-87  
Mr. T. C. Gray ... 96-11-80  
(19 entries)

Mr. R. O. Hutchison ... 82-2-80  
Mr. F. W. Warren ... 88-5-83  
Mr. G. M. Harston ... 94-7-87  
Mr. T. C. Gray ... 96-11-80  
Mr. E. Morrell ... 104-18-80  
(32 entries)

\*Winner of Robertson Farwell Cup.  
\*Winner of Pool.

The Captain's Cup for 1906, presented by Mr. E. J. Grist, was won outright by Mr. C. Paul Chater who defeated Mr. F. W. Warren in the final.

## Lawn Tennis.

## HONGKONG CLUB TOURNAMENTS.

Two interesting games in Hongkong Club's Lawn Tennis Tournaments were played yesterday afternoon on the Cricket Ground, both in the Professional Pairs. The better of the two matches was that in which Messrs H. Hancock and H. Pinckney were opposed to Messrs E. J. Grist and G. A. Hastings. Anticipating a good contest, though Messrs Hancock and Pinckney were expected to win, there was a fairly large crowd of spectators when the match started.

The legal representatives started well, good service by Mr. Hastings and fine smashing by Mr. Grist placed the first game to their credit. A game to Mr. Hancock brought them even, then another fine display of killing smashes, this time by Mr. Hastings, saw the third game go to the legal representatives. Both Messrs Hastings and Grist did little next game, as their opponents gave them no chance, the placing of Mr. Pinckney being very sure. The cut played by Mr. Hancock was not very effective though once or twice he made it very difficult for his opponents to return accurately. A good display of volleys by Mr. Hastings and Mr. Pinckney "brought down the house," but Mr. Grist lost several points by weak tossing, a department of the game at which both soliters were weak. After "three all" had been called, the Brokers began to exhibit good steady play and as they did so their opponents seemed to weaken, particularly Mr. Hastings, and the set ended in the Brokers' favour by six games to three.

The legal representatives made a recovery in the second game of the next set, winning after 15-40 (it was Mr. Grist's service) had been called, a fine smash by Mr. Hastings being the turning point. Then ensued a hard struggle. "One-all," "two-all," "three-all," "four-all," and "five-all" were called and then the Brokers made an end of it and won by seven games to five. Both Messrs Grist and Hastings can congratulate themselves on the fight they put up. They started brilliantly—it was too good to last—but the steady play of their opponents wore them down.

The second game, in which Messrs W. Gibson and T. B. Norris were opposed to the Army representatives, Lieuts. Ogle and Satterthwaite, was remarkable for the good play shown by Lt. Satterthwaite. The military pair won the first three games, defence being reached in the second game by Mr. Gibson smashing the ball on to Mr. Norris's back, amid laughter. Lt. Satterthwaite was playing extremely well, while his partner was not slow to avail themselves of, with the result that Lt. Ogle was called upon to do a great deal of the work. Mr. Norris did not seem comfortable; he played without the coolness and accuracy which characterised him on Saturday and several times he failed to return fairly easy shots. However, as they warmed up to the game the Brokers exhibited better combination and began to walk away from their opponents, winning five games in succession. Then Lt. Satterthwaite won his service and next game Mr. Gibson, serving well, ran out, six games to four.

The second set was an easy one for the Brokers, who won six games to one, and in this set also Lt. Satterthwaite's play called for applause on several occasions. Half-a-dozen times he volleys well and he made excellent returns, but the Brokers played on to his partner most of the times and he had to make his own opportunities.

Messrs Norris and Gibson have now to meet Captain Beasley and Lieut. Whyte in the semi-final in this competition, and the winner of this match will meet Messrs H. Hancock and H. Pinckney in the final. On their play up to date it would not be surprising to see Captain Beasley and Lt. Whyte defeat Messrs Norris and Gibson. In fact, they stand a good chance of winning the tournament.

Games fixed for to-morrow are:—  
"A" Class Singles, semi-final: Mr. L. J. Wishart (ret.) v. Mr. H. Hancock (ows 30/2).

"B" Class Singles, semi-final: Mr. S. E. Green (ows 30/2) v. Dr. E. E. Jones (ret. 3/6).

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## THE SHANGHAI MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, May 6.

The question discussed on Monday, May 6, was Comity and Federation. Already the paper and debate of the first day of the Conference had traversed some aspects of this question, still there was room for much more expression of opinion. It is easy to see that uniformity is impossible when high Anglican, Old School Baptists and Seventh Day Adventists meet to discuss Comity and Federation. Everyone can see that on the surface the task seems hopeless. This, however, is what transpired, and it must be admitted that there was manifested throughout every desire to respect the peculiar tenets of each other. This on itself is a great step in advance. Dr. N. I. Ament, of Peking, had charge of the subject, and both his paper and his speech indicated that he at any rate was prepared to meet others half way and at the same time he insisted that the forms of expression forged for us in ancient days amidst heated controversies should not be assumed to contain all essential elements of the Christian truth and even the ancient language cannot be regarded as inspired. Some phrases in Mr. Ament's speech were somewhat unguarded, and Dr. McKay, of Toronto, deprecated them as they would be misunderstood at home. The Doctor, though at first he assumed full responsibility for statements that were considered afterwards, allowed them to be withdrawn. The day was not without its surprises. The first resolution, viz., that "The Conference recommends the formation of a Federal Union under the title of The Christian Federation of China was passed by an unanimous vote. Then appeared a stormy petrel, and there was a storm. The Ven. Dr. Barnham denounced the whole thing as unwise and forced. Indeed, he affirmed that the scheme had been put through by means of Jesuitical methods, whereupon a storm of dissent arose. At this juncture Bishop Roots, of Hankow, rose and said that if there was difference of opinion among us we must be given for expression thereon or we were lost, so a resolution was passed that the subject be reconsidered. However, after two hours' talk the original resolution was again put, in exactly the same words, and carried most unanimously. Of course as things are to-day there can be no organic unity and no uniformity, but there is no reason why every effort should not be put forth to bring missionary workers closer together.

A very amusing collapse of a slight opposition to written forms of prayers came about in this way. It may be remembered that the clergy of the Anglican church at their own meeting to further mutual respect for and increase the knowledge of one another, suggested among other things that a joint committee should prepare a prayer for God's blessing on the Emperor of China, and on the Chinese empire, to be used at all Churches which cared to adopt it. Thereupon a British brother rose and began to point out that every one did not approve of written prayer. At this juncture a pleasant faced little lady was seen marching up the aisle and ascending the platform. Thereupon there fell upon the audience a hushed silence. "Mr. Chairman," she said, "I have a proposition to make. I beg to move that we add to the resolution the following words and that a metrical version of the same be prepared." I heard these gentlemen who object to written prayers singing with all their hearts All Hail The Power of Jesus' name. If therefore this proposed prayer were arranged into a metrical—She got no further. The whole Conference burst forth into roars of laughter and reiterated until nearly everyone was shaking with delight. It is needless to say that she won the day. Notwithstanding this discussion the general trend of things was towards a more generous appreciation of one another, and the close of the day it was felt that we had deliberately made ourselves part and parcel of the great whole, and that whatever would be the final effect of it all we shall understand each other better. One of the duties of the Federal Council will be to attempt to prevent overlapping in the field, of which there is too much in the south of China, and therefore a waste of energy that should be devoted to better objects.

THE MISSIONARY AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS. On the morning of the last day of the Conference it devoted itself to the discussion of the relation of the Missionary to Chinese Officials. Under this head it was inevitable that the question of Chinese law suits should be introduced. Indeed, one of the first resolutions concerned itself with this matter. It is well known that some complain that Missionaries are fond of meddling in lawsuits. Anyone who listened to the debate of Tuesday would know that, at any rate, this is not true of the leaders. It has been said that many Chinese seek the aid of the Christian Church in order to land over their fellow countrymen. It was admitted that there had been such cases, and that perhaps individual Missionaries had sometimes been deceived. The resolution finally and unanimously adopted was "that while time has not yet come when all the protection of Christian converts provided in the Treaties can be safely withdrawn, yet we trust that equal protection to Christians and non-Christians alike may be given by the local Chinese authorities, that any intervention of Missionaries in such matters may specially become wholly unnecessary. We therefore exhort all Missionaries to urge upon Chinese Christians the duty of patience and forbearance under persecution for Christ's sake and also to make every possible effort to settle matters, privately,

## SHANGHAI NOTES.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, May 9.

A unique procession solemnly passed through the streets of the Settlement last Saturday. It was the occasion of the funeral of Mr. Wang Jap-ke who was murdered by an armed robber at his residence in the Tientsin Road. The dead young fellow was a member of the Chinese Volunteer Corps, and accordingly he was given a military funeral. For the first time in the history of the port foreign volunteers turned out to honour a dead Chinaman and it was a very impressive sight to witness the coffin containing the body of a dead Chinaman gently laid on one of our gun carriages and conducted with all foreign ceremony to the Canton Cemetery prior to its ultimate removal to Canton. The motive Corps was noticeable for its smartness and precision and the Chinese Town Band acquitted themselves very well indeed. Perhaps this act of respectful sympathy will have done more to bring about a real semblance of harmony between the white and yellow man in Shanghai than any amount of social gatherings at the International Institute. We honoured the dead man as a comrade and the native officials did everything in their power to give weight to the ceremony. The Mixed Court Magistrate was in a carriage forming the procession and the pupils of the Public Schools were also paraded to pay their last respects to a man who was held high in the esteem of foreigners and natives alike.

Judge Willey has returned from Tientsin and Americans are on their very good behaviour. He has a long list of cases of no special interest to engage his attention and more important he has announced an examination of attorneys to take place on his return from Canton. Of course you know he is going down to Canton on the 17th of the month. I wonder if Canton will witness a flight of black birds before his arrival as was the case in Tientsin. By the way, there are people who say it was not a legitimate earthquake shock who experienced last week; it was simply the ground trembling at the thought of the return of our strenuous friend.











